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acids, and mixtures thereof, and where the method is conducted at a temperature between about 120°F (49°C) and about 280° F (138°C).

14. (Amended) An aqueous fluid comprising

water;

at least one polymer forming an aqueous gel; and

at least one aminocarboxylic acid or a salt thereof in an amount effective to subsequently directly break down the gel.

20. (Amended) An aqueous fluid comprising

water;

at least one polymer forming an aqueous gel;

at least one aminocarboxylic acid or a salt thereof in an amount effective to subsequently directly break down the gel; and

the absence of a crosslinker,

where the aminocarboxylic acid is selected from the group consisting of ethylenediaminetetraacetic acid (EDTA), propylenediaminetetraacetic acid (PDTA), hydroxyethylenediaminetetraacetic acid (HEDTA), nitrilotriacetic acid (NTA), ethylenediaminetriacetic acid (HEDTA), ethylenediaminediacetic acid (H2EDDA), dihydrate ethylenediaminediacetic acid (2H2O EDTA), salts of these acids, and mixtures thereof.

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